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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)	
)	Art Unit 1636
LAL <i>et al.</i>)	
)	Examiner: Marvich, M.
Application No. 09/890,551)	
)	Confirmation: 4683
Filing Date: August 1, 2001)	
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For: "METHOD AND REAGENTS FOR)	
MOLECULAR DETECTION OF		
HIV-1 GROUPS M, N, AND O		

PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)

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Sir:

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to properly request an extension of time to reply to the Office Action, mailed on May 4, 2004, which set a 3-month period for reply. The abandonment date of this application was August 4, 2004.

Applicant hereby petitions for revival of this application.

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A reply to the non-final action in the form of a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) was filed on November 3, 2004; however, the Petition for Extension of Time to Reply in the subject application, 09/890,551, was inadvertently omitted.

It is respectfully requested that this Petition be granted to allow co-pendency between the subject application and the continuing application 10/980,660, filed November 3, 2004.

The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of this Petition was unintentional.

A credit card authorization in the amount of \$1370.00 is enclosed for the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(m). This amount is believed to be correct. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

Respectfully submitted,

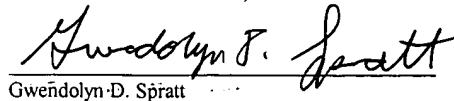


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